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Hannah Ranson (Chair of Trustees)
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Dear Mrs Ranson,

Termination Warning Notice to the Members and Directors of the Sandye Place Academy Trust in respect of Sandye Place Academy, Sandy, Central Beds

In accordance with section 2A of the Academies Act 2010ⁱ any funding agreement of an academy may be terminated by the Secretary of State where special measures are required to be taken by the academy or the academy requires significant improvement and the Chief Inspector of Ofsted has given notice of that under section 13(3)(a) of the Education Act 2005.

I received an Ofsted notification dated 13 – 14 December 2017 (published on 19 March 2018) confirming that Sandye Place Academy was judged to be inadequate, in particular with regard to effectiveness of leadership and management and outcomes for pupils, and required special measures. It is also apparent from the information we have received from the Local Authority that there is likely to be a surplus of places in the middle years across Sandy for the foreseeable future.

In light of the Ofsted findings and the school's lack of long-term viability, I am serving you with this Termination Warning Notice.

In making the decision on whether to terminate the funding agreement, I will consider any written representations you wish to make within the next 15 working days. Please provide me with any representations you have by 2 July 2018.

I am copying this letter to the National Schools Commissioner Sir David Carter; Sue Harrison, Central Bedfordshire Local Authority; and Ofsted. This letter will be published on www.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Post
Regional Schools Commissioner,
North West London / South Central

Cc: Sir David Carter, National Schools Commissioner
Cc: Sue Harrison, Central Bedfordshire Local Authority
Cc: Paul Brooker, Ofsted Regional Director, East of England

ⁱ Inserted by section 14 of the Education and Adoption Act 2016